



# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 98,189-P1)

In the Application of:

William Richards )  
Serial No.: 10/601,925 )  
Filed: June 23, 2003 )  
Title: Automated Molecular Pathology Apparatus )  
Having Independent Slide Heaters )  
Art Unit: 1743  
Examiner: Brian R. Gordon

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - A. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time
  - B. Reply to August 29, 2005 Official Action with Appendices
  - C. Return Receipt Postcard
2. With respect to additional fees:

A. No additional fee is required.  
 B. Attached is a check in the amount of \$1020.00
3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 27th of February, 2006.

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